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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Kazuyuki IGA & KAWA, et al.  
SERIAL NO: 10/673,155  
FILED: September 30, 2003  
FOR: SHAFT AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF



"RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116-  
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment **AFTER FINAL** in the above-identified application.

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- Additional documents filed herewith: Letter Submitting Replacement Drawing Sheets (3)

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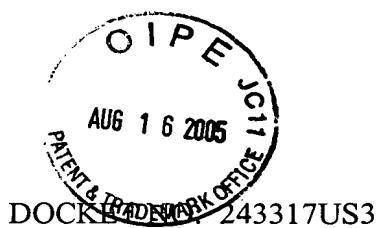
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In response to the Office Action dated May 16, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 6 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.